

## **Two Ukrainian soldiers killed and two wounded in Donbass**

Ukraine's military said two of its soldiers were killed and two wounded in the country's eastern Donbas region. In a statement on January 26, the military said one soldier was killed and another wounded by gunfire, while in a separate incident another soldier was killed and another wounded by an improvised explosive device. Eleven Ukrainian soldiers have been killed this month so far, exceeding the number of killed in December by two. The military said it reported 12 cease-fire violations by Russia-backed separatists on January 26, while it reported 10 violations the day before. The Kremlin officially denies that it is a party to the war and describes the events in the Donbas as "an internal Ukrainian conflict."